

WHAT IS CLAIMED IS:

1. An electric connection box comprising:
a box body;
a provisionally-attaching portion for provisionally
5 attaching a first connector connected to a wire harness to the
box body, provided to the box body; and
a circuit unit including a second connector adapted to
be mounted on the box body,
wherein when the circuit unit is mounted to the box body,
10 the first connector is detached from the
provisionally-attaching portion and is connected to the second
connector.
2. The electric connection box according to claim 1, wherein
15 the provisionally-attaching portion is formed on a wall
portion of the box body forming a receiving space for receiving
the circuit unit, and
when the circuit unit is receiving in the receiving space,
the provisionally-attaching portion is disposed between the
20 wall portion and the circuit unit.
3. The electric connection box according to claim 2, wherein
the provisionally-attaching portion includes a guide rib
which is formed on the wall portion and extends in a direction
25 in which the first connector is inserted, and

the first connector includes a guide groove for sliding engagement with the guide rib.

4. The electric connection box according to claim 3, wherein
5 the provisionally-attaching portion includes a pair of side ribs provided at opposite sides of the guide rib, respectively, and

the first connector includes a pair of side guides for engagement respectively with the pair of side ribs.

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5. The electric connection box according to claim 3, wherein
the provisionally-attaching portion includes retaining projections having a generally semi-circular cross-section formed respectively on a pair of overhang portions formed
15 respectively on opposite sides of the guide rib, and

the first connector includes retaining steps for being retained respectively by the retaining projections formed respectively on flange walls of the guide groove.

- 20 6. A method of assembling an electric connection box comprising the steps of:

provisionally-attaching a first connector connected to a wire harness to a provisionally-attaching portion provided to a box body;

- 25 transporting the box body in a state that the first

connector is provisionally-attached to the
provisionally-attaching portion;

detaching the first connector from the
provisionally-attaching portion when a circuit unit including

5 a second connection is to be mounted on the box body; and
connecting the first connector to the second connector.